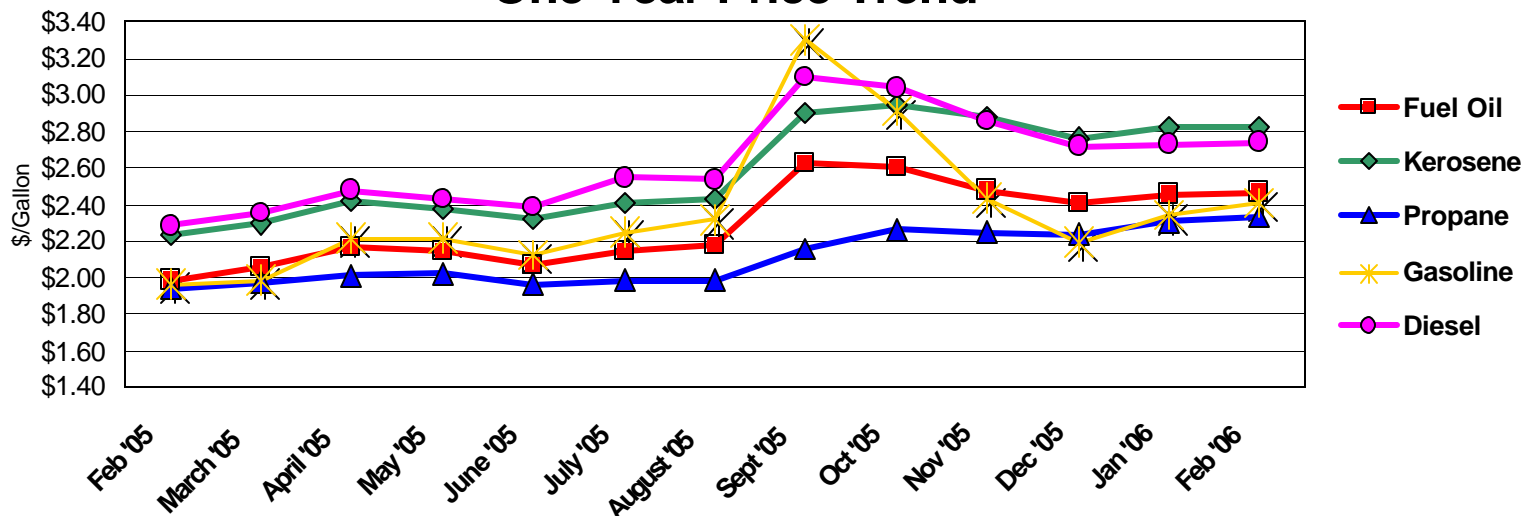


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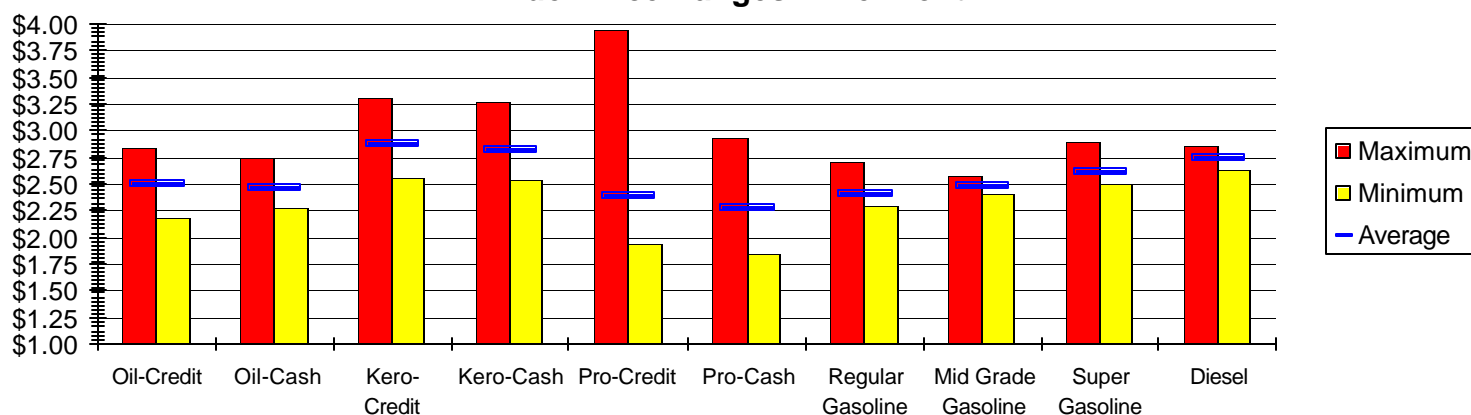
## One-Year Price Trend



## Vermont Average Retail Petroleum Prices (per gallon)

	Feb '06	Jan '06	%change	Feb '05	%change
No. 2 Fuel Oil	\$2.46	\$2.45	0.59%	\$1.98	24.46%
Kerosene	\$2.81	\$2.81	0.11%	\$2.23	25.96%
Propane	\$2.33	\$2.30	1.03%	\$1.94	19.93%
Reg. Unleaded Gasoline	\$2.40	\$2.34	2.88%	\$1.96	22.51%
Diesel	\$2.74	\$2.72	0.43%	\$2.28	20.02%

## Fuel Price Ranges in Vermont



### Gasoline and Diesel Prices

The Energy Information Administration (EIA) has reported that as of February 6th the national average retail price of regular gasoline increased to \$2.34 per gallon, and the New England average price was \$2.38 per gallon. The New England average retail price of diesel was \$2.66 per gallon.

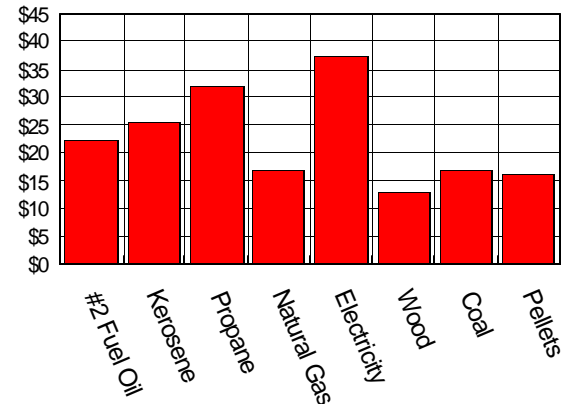
The EIA is projecting the national retail price of regular gasoline to average \$2.45 per gallon in 2006 and decline to an average of \$2.34 per gallon in 2007. Retail diesel prices are projected to average \$2.51 per gallon in 2006 and decrease to \$2.42 per gallon in 2007.

Additional information is available in the EIA report "Short-Term Energy Outlook" at [www.eia.doe.gov](http://www.eia.doe.gov).

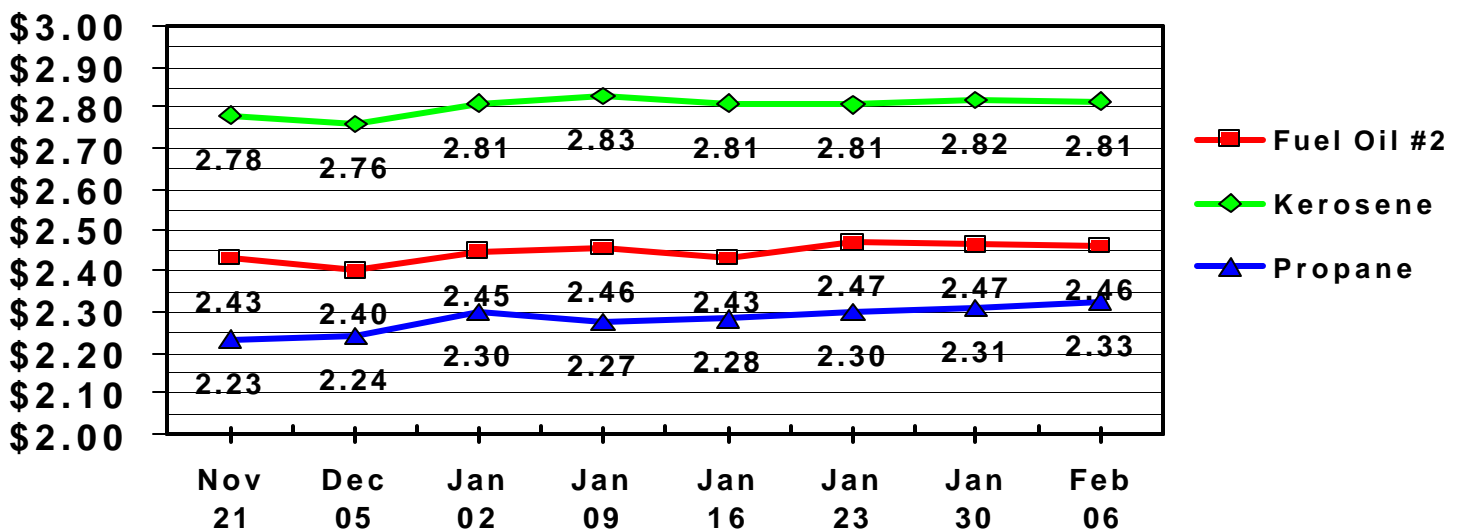
### Comparing the Cost of Heating Fuels

Type of Energy	BTU/unit	Adj Effic	\$/unit	\$/MMBtu
Fuel Oil, gallon	138,200	80%	\$2.46	\$22.27
Kerosene, gallon	136,600	80%	\$2.81	\$25.76
Propane, gallon	91,600	80%	\$2.33	\$31.73
Natural Gas, therm	100,000	80%	\$1.36	\$17.00
Electricity, kwh	3,412	100%	\$0.13	\$37.51
Wood, cord (green)	22,000,000	60%	\$170.00	\$12.88
Coal, ton	24,000,000	60%	\$242.50	\$16.84
Pellets, ton	16,400,000	80%	\$210.00	\$16.01

Cost per 1 Million BTU



### Weekly Average Fuel Prices



#### Heating Oil and Propane Update

For the period ending January 30th, the New England average residential heating oil price was \$2.43 per gallon, and the average residential propane price was \$2.34 per gallon.

As of January 27th, U.S heating oil inventories were at 136.3 million barrels, which is 11.5% higher than last year and New England inventories were at 10.1 million barrels, which is 77% higher than this time last year. U.S. propane inventories were at 48 million barrels, which is 6.5% higher than this time last year.

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